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#### OPTICAL BRANCH CONNECTING BOX

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#### Claim

A type of optical branch connecting box characterized by the following facts: three or more adaptors are set through and supported at different positions of an enclosure; branch wiring is performed between said prescribed adaptors in said enclosure by inserting in said adaptors the optical connectors of coated optical fibers having said optical connectors attached to the two ends of each of them.

#### Detailed explanation of the invention

Industrial application field

This invention pertains to a type of optical branch connecting box that can be used preferably in multi-branch connection of optical cables.

#### Prior art

In the prior art, an optical branch connecting box for multi-branch connection of optical cables has a structure that allows branch connection only in a prescribed branching state.

### Problems to be solved by the invention

For the aforementioned optical branch connecting box, when it is necessary to change to a different branching state, it is necessary to manufacture a new optical branch connecting box corresponding to the state. This is a problem.

The objective of this invention is to provide a type of optical branch connecting box that simplifies change to different branch states.

#### Means to solve the problems

In order to realize the aforementioned objective, this invention has a constitution that can be explained with reference to Figures 1-5. That is, this invention provide a type of optical branch connecting box characterized by the following facts: three or more adaptors (4) are set through and supported at different positions of enclosure (2); branch wiring is performed between said prescribed adaptors (4) in said enclosure (2) by inserting in said adaptors (4) optical connectors (5) of coated optical fibers (6) having said optical connectors (5) attached to the two ends of each of them.

#### Operation of the invention

For this optical branch connecting box (1), when it is necessary to change to a different branch state, optical connectors (5) of coated optical fibers (6) in enclosure (2) are pulled out of adaptors (4), and then they are inserted into other adaptors (4) to be used in the new branch connection.

#### Application examples

In the following, this invention will be explained in more detail with reference to an application example with reference to Figures 1-5. In optical branch connecting box (1) of this application example, there is rectangular parallelepiped enclosure (2), and three or more (four in this specific application example) cylindrical adaptors (4) are set through and supported on prescribed faces of said enclosure (2). Between prescribed adaptors (4) in enclosure (2), optical connectors (5) of coated optical fibers (6) each having optical connectors (5) attached to the two ends are inserted in said adaptors (4) for branch wiring. Also, (8) represents the lid of enclosure (2), and it is fixed on said enclosure (2) by means of screws (9).

For this optical branch connecting box (1), on its outer side, optical connector (8) of optical cable (7) is inserted in prescribed adaptor (4), and it is connected to opposite optical connector (5) to realize an external branch connection.

In this state, when it is necessary to change to a different branch connection during application, as shown in Figure 5, optical connectors (5) of coated optical fibers (6) inside enclosure (2) are pulled out of adaptor (4), and they are then inserted in adaptors (4) for the new branch connection. In this way, the new branch connection state is obtained.

#### Effect of the invention

As explained above, for the optical branch connecting box of this invention, three or more adaptors are set through and supported at different positions of an enclosure; branch wiring is performed between said prescribed adaptors in said enclosure by inserting in said adaptors the optical connectors of coated optical fibers having said optical connectors attached to the two ends of each of them. When it is necessary to change to a different branch state, the optical connectors of the coated optical fibers in the enclosure are pulled out of adaptors, and they are then inserted into other adaptors for the new branch connection so as to realize the new branching connection state. Consequently, according to this invention, when it is necessary to change the branching state, there is no need to manufacture a new optical branch connecting box. Consequently, it is possible to realize a branch connection with lower cost and at high efficiency.

## Brief-description of the figures

Figure 1 is a front view illustrating the state after the lid is removed in an application example of the optical branch connecting box in this invention. Figure 2 is a front view of the optical branch connecting box in this application example. Figure 3 is the right side view of Figure 2. Figure 4 is a bottom view of Figure 2. Figure 5 is a front view illustrating the state after removal of the lid to show change to another branch connection state.

- 1 Optical branch connecting box
- 2 Enclosure
- 4 Adaptor
- 5 Optical connector
- 6 Coated optical fiber
- 7 Optical cable
- 8 Optical connector

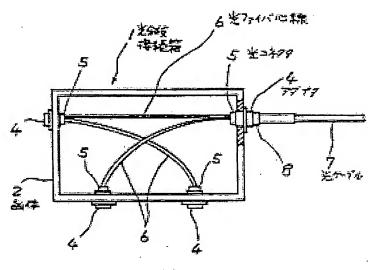


Figure 1

Key: 1 Optical branch connecting box

- 2 Enclosure
- 4 Adaptor
- 5 Optical connector
- 6 Coated optical fiber
- 7 Optical cable

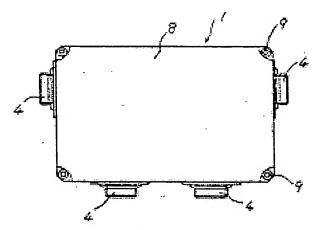


Figure 2

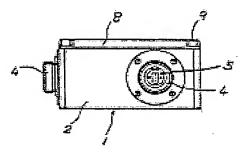


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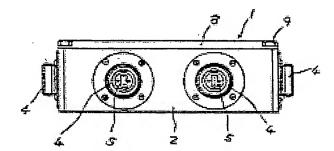


Figure 4

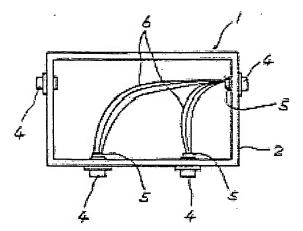


Figure 5

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#### 明細書

- 1. 発明の名称 光分岐接続箱
- 2. 特許請求の範囲

函体に位置を異にして3個以上のアダプタが質 通支持され、前記函体の内で前記所定のアダプタ 間は両端に光コネクタが取付けられた光ファイバ 心線の前記各光コネクタを該アダプタ内に挿入す ることにより分枝配線されていることを特徴とす る光分枝接続箱。

3. 発明の詳細な説明

. (産桑上の利用分野)

本発明は光ケーブルの多分枝接続を行うのに好 遊な光分枝接続額に関するものである。

#### '(從来技術)

従来、光ケーアルを多分枝接続するための光分 枝接続額は、予め特定の分枝状態にのみ分枝接続 できる構造であった。

## (発明が解決しようとする問題点)

しかしながら、このような光分岐接続箱では、 異なる分岐状態に変更する必要が生じた場合、新 たにその状態に合致した光分岐接続箱を製作しな ければならない問題点があった。

本発明の目的は、異なる分岐状態への変更も容易に行うことができる光分岐接続箱を提供することにある。

## (問題点を解決するための手段)

上記の目的を達成するための本発明の標成を 実施例に対応する第1回乃至第5回を発にして3回 明すると、本発明は西体2に位置を異にして3回 以上のアダイが貫通支持され、面面は2の 中で前記所定のアダプタ4間は心線6の前記とに 中でが取付けられた光ファイに揮入することにより 分岐配線されていることを特徴とする。

(作用)

このような光分枝接続箱1は、異なる分枝状限への変更の必要が生じたときには、函体2内の光ファイバ心線6の光コネクタ5をアダプタ4から抜いて、分枝接続を行うべき他のアダプタ4に挿入することにより新たな分枝接続状限を得ることができる。

#### (実施例)

以下本発明の実施例を第13回を発現して説明する。本実施例の光報を第13回を接続を2 のののののののでは、2 ののでは、4 ののでは、4 ののでは、4 ののでは、4 ののでは、5 のので

このような光分岐接続箱1は、その外側で光ケーブル7の先端の光コネクタ8を特定のアダプタ

の必要が生じたときに、新規に光分枝接続箱を製作する必要がなく、経済的に且つ能率よく分枝接続を行うことができる。

#### 4. 図面の簡単な説明

第1 図は本発明に係る光分岐接続領の一実施例の 菱を除去した状態の正面図、第2 図は本実施例の 光分岐接続箱の正面図、第3 図は第2 図の右側面図、第4 図は第2 図の底面図、第5 図は他の分岐接続状態への変更状態を示す菱を除去した状態の正面図である。

1 ···光分 岐 接 続 箱 、 2 ··· 函 体 、 4 ··· ア ダ プ タ 、 5 ··· 光 コ ネ ク タ 、 6 ··· 光 フ ァ イ バ 心 線 、 7 ··· 光 ケ ー ブ ル 、 8 ··· 光 コ ネ ク タ 。

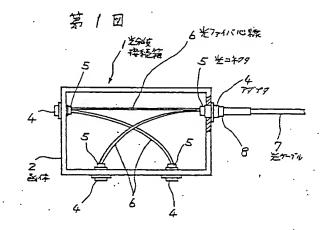
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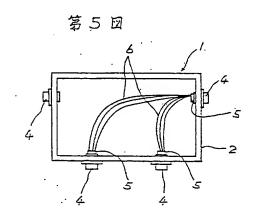


4 に挿入して相手の光コネクタ 5 と接続することにより外部の分岐接続を行う。

かかる状態で、使用中に異なる分岐接続を行う必要が生じた場合には、第5回に示すように函体 2内の光ファイバ心線6の光コネクタ5をアダプ タ4から抜いて、分岐接続を行うべきアダプタ4 に挿入することにより新たな分岐接続状態を得る。

#### (発明の効果)





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